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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 3, 2005, in connection with the above-identified patent application (Paper No./Mail Date 052505) please consider the following arguments.

**Currently Pending Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.



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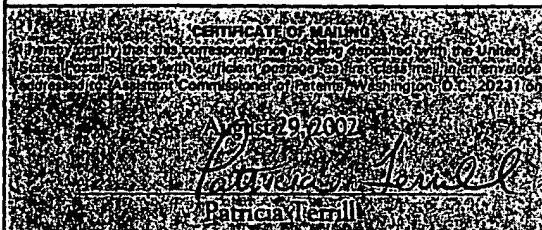
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the above captioned patent application, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered.

In the specification:

Please delete the paragraph at page 1, line 2, that was previously added by preliminary amendment.

Please insert the following new paragraph at page 1, line 2:

--RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of, and claims priority under 35 USC §120 to, US Application 09/946374 filed 9/4/2001, which is a continuation of, and claims priority under 35 USC §120 to, PCT Application PCT/US00/04342 filed 2/18/2000, which claims priority under 35 USC §119 to US Provisional Application 60/162506 filed 10/29/1999, where PCT/US00/04342 is a continuation-in-part of,

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and claims priority under 35 USC §120 to, US Application 09/403297 filed 10/18/1999, now abandoned,  
which is the National Stage filed under 35 USC §371 of PCT Application PCT/US99/20111 filed  
9/1/1999, which claims priority under 35 USC §119 to US Provisional Application 60/102484 filed  
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Dear Examiner Hamud,

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/015,869

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Inventors: Baker et al.

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Thank you for your message regarding the pending allowance of the above application.

The updated priority information is as follows:

This application is a continuation of, and claims priority under 35 USC §120 to, US Application 09/946374 filed 9/4/2001, which is a continuation of, and claims priority under 35 USC §120 to, PCT Application PCT/US00/04342 filed 2/18/00, which claims priority under 35 USC §119 to US Provisional Application 60/162506 filed 10/29/1999, where PCT/US00/04342 is a continuation-in-part of, and claims priority under 35 USC §120 to, US Application 09/403297 filed 10/18/1999, now abandoned, which is the National Stage filed under 35 USC §371 of PCT Application PCT/US99/20111 filed 9/1/1999, which claims priority under 35 USC §119 to US Provisional Application 60/102484 filed 9/30/1998.

This information was previously submitted in the Preliminary Amendment filed August 29, 2002..

Please let me know if you need anything further.

Yours truly,

*Barrie Greene*

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